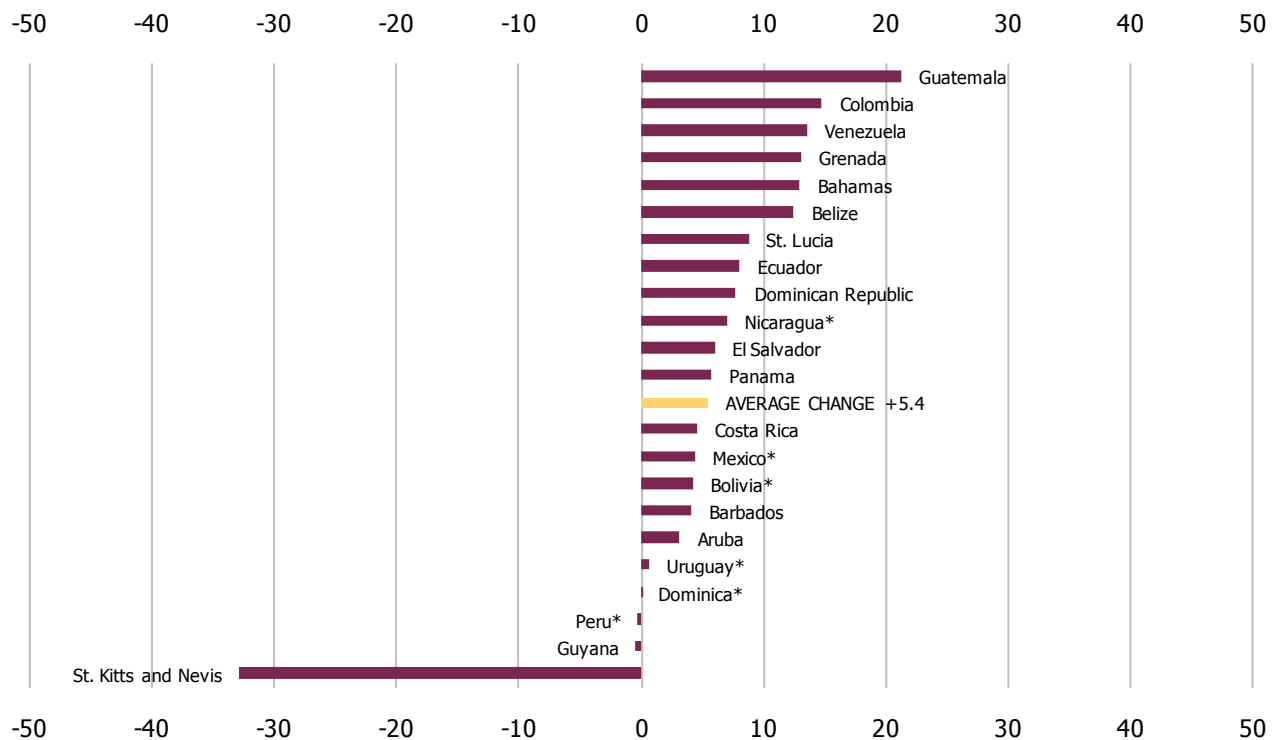


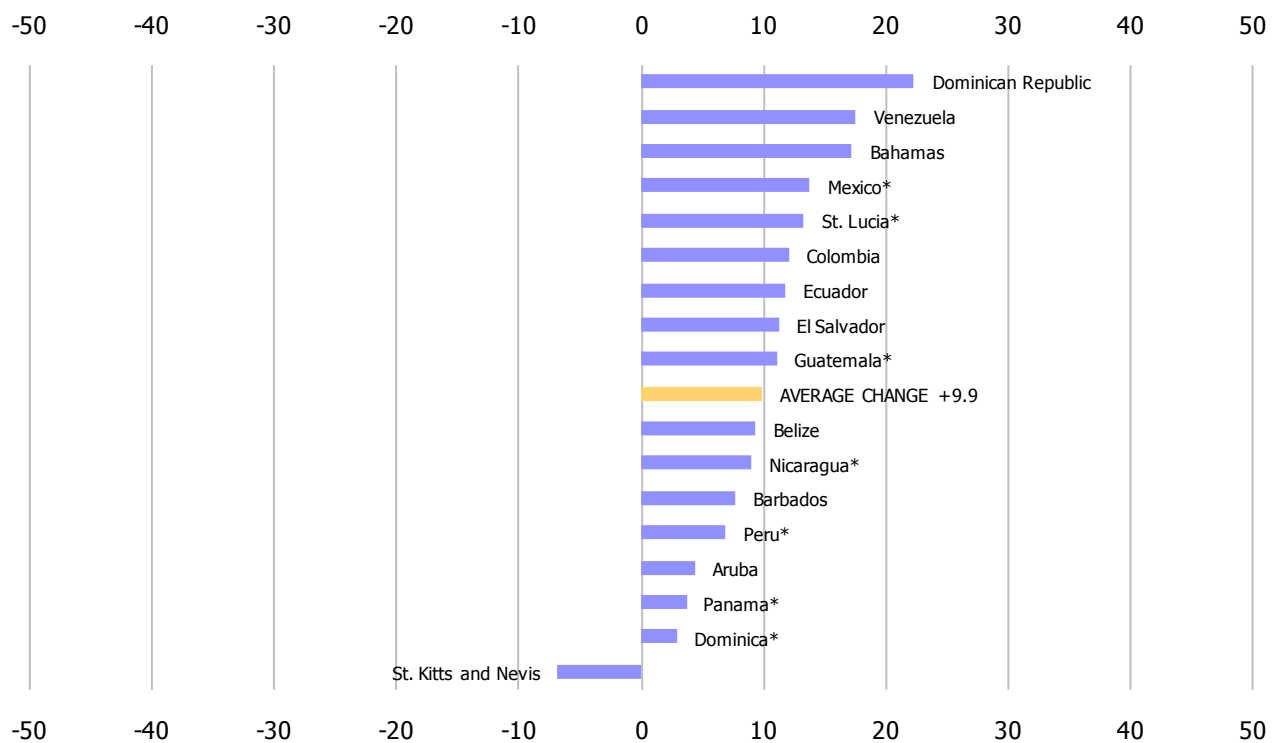
Female Primary Completion Rates

Change in percentage points from 2000 to 2007



Female Secondary Net Enrollment Rates

Change in percentage points from 2000 to 2007



4.1 | Literacy

estimated literacy rates - percentage

	Adult (2007)			|	Youth (2007)		
	Total	Male	Female		Total	Male	Female
Aruba	98.1	98.2	98.1	|	99.3	99.4	99.2
Dominican Republic	89.1	88.8	89.5	|	96.0	97.0	95.0
Haiti	62.1	60.1	64.0	|	81.7	87.2	76.3
Jamaica	86.0	80.5	91.1	|	94.3	97.9	90.9
Netherlands Antilles	96.4	96.3	96.4	|	98.2	98.3	98.2
Suriname	90.4	92.7	88.1	|	95.2	94.6	95.7
Trinidad and Tobago	98.7	99.1	98.3	|	99.5	99.5	99.5
Caribbean							
Costa Rica	95.9	95.7	96.2	|	98.0	98.5	97.6
El Salvador	85.5	88.4	82.8	|	95.2	95.8	94.6
Guatemala	73.2	79.0	68.0	|	85.5	82.9	88.1
Honduras	83.1	82.4	83.7	|	90.3	92.8	87.9
Nicaragua	80.5	79.7	81.4	|	88.7	91.9	85.4
Panama	93.4	94.0	92.8	|	96.3	96.1	96.5
Central America							
Argentina	97.6	97.6	97.7	|	99.1	99.3	98.9
Bolivia	90.3	95.3	85.4	|	98.5	97.9	99.0
Brazil	90.5	90.1	90.9	|	97.8	98.5	97.0
Chile	96.5	96.6	96.5	|	99.1	99.2	98.9
Colombia	93.6	93.6	93.5	|	97.9	98.3	97.6
Ecuador	92.6	93.6	91.6	|	96.5	96.7	96.2
Paraguay	93.7	94.4	93.1	|	96.4	96.6	96.2
Peru	90.5	95.2	85.8	|	97.9	97.2	98.5
Uruguay	98.0	97.6	98.3		98.7	99.1	98.3
South America							
Mexico	92.4	94.4	90.6		98.1	97.9	98.2
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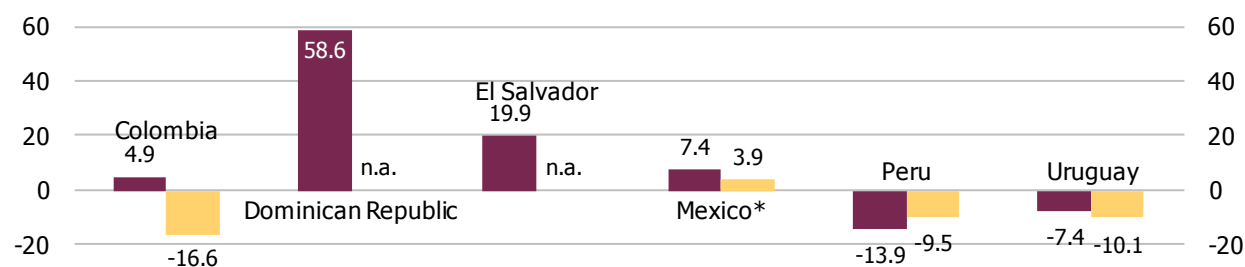
4.2 | Public Expenditure on Education

	Total Expenditures (% of GDP)			Education Expenditure (% of Total Govt. Expenditure)			Total Expenditure per Pupil (% of per capita GDP)		
	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005	2006
Anguilla	.	4.0	.	.	14.0	.	.	.	.
Aruba	4.6	4.8	.	13.8	15.4	.	16.5	16.6	.
Barbados	7.2	6.9	.	16.7	16.4	.	.	.	.
Belize	5.3	.	.	.	.	.	16.6	.	.
Bermuda	1.9	2.0	1.2	.	.	.	.	11.7	.
British Virgin Islands	4.7	3.1	3.7	17.8	12.4	.	.	11.4	.
Cayman Islands	.	2.8	2.6	.	.	.	.	.	17.2
Dominican Republic	.	.	3.6	.	.	16.8	.	.	.
Guyana	5.5	8.5	8.3	12.0	14.5	15.5	14.1	17.4	.
Jamaica	4.5	5.3	.	.	8.8	.	.	.	.
Montserrat	3.3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
St. Kitts and Nevis	4.3	9.3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
St. Lucia	4.8	5.8	6.6	15.6	16.9	19.1	15.6	15.4	16.3
St. Vincent and Grenadines	10.9	8.1	.	20.5	16.1	.	.	26.5	.
Caribbean									
Costa Rica	4.9	.	4.7	18.5	.	20.6	19.0	.	.
El Salvador	.	2.8	3.1	.	.	.	.	10.2	10.3
Guatemala	.	.	2.6	.	.	.	.	.	8.8
Panama	3.8	.	.	8.9	.	.	13.2	.	.
Central America									
Argentina	3.8	.	.	13.1	.	.	12.9	.	.
Brazil	4.0	.	.	.	.	.	13.9	.	.
Chile	3.7	3.4	3.2	16.8	16.0	16.0	13.7	12.4	11.8
Colombia	4.9	4.8	4.7	11.7	11.1	.	20.2	19.3	16.1
Paraguay	4.0	.	.	10.0	.	.	13.2	.	.
Peru	2.8	2.7	2.5	17.0	.	15.4	8.4	7.7	8.4
Uruguay	2.6	2.8	2.9	11.1	12.7	11.6	9.6	10.7	11.0
Venezuela	.	.	3.7	13.4
South America									
Mexico	5.4	5.5	.	25.6	.	.	17.4	17.9	.

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Change in Education Expenditure, 2001-2006

■ Change in Total Expenditure (% of GDP) ■ Change in Per Pupil Expenditure (% of per capita GDP)



4.3 | Gross and Net Enrollment Ratios

Percent of relevant age group

	Pre-primary (gross)		Primary (gross)		Secondary (gross)		Tertiary (gross)			Primary (net)		Secondary (net)	
	2005	2007	2005	2007	2005	2007	2005	2007		2005	2007	2005	2007
Antigua and Barbuda	.	72	.	102	.	105	.	.	|	.	74	.	.
Aruba	93	96	114	114	98	105	33	33	|	99	100	76	82
Bahamas	.	.	100	103	90	94	.	.	|	90	91	84	86
Barbados	89	91	100	105	103	103	.	53	|	94	97	88	90
Belize	31	35	122	123	84	79	.	.	|	95	97	71	67
Bermuda	.	.	102	.	89	.	19	.	|	98	.	.	.
Cayman Islands	93	.	90	.	102	.	.	.	|	81	.	96	.
Dominica	77	.	91	.	107	.	.	.	|	83	.	91	.
Dominican Republic	30	32	104	107	71	79	.	.	|	80	82	53	61
Grenada	81	80	93	81	100	99	.	.	|	84	76	79	.
Guyana	99	87	124	112	104	107	11	12	|	.	.	.	.
Jamaica	92	.	95	.	87	.	.	.	|	90	.	78	.
St. Kitts and Nevis	102	120	99	94	94	105	.	.	|	93	87	86	84
St. Lucia	74	68	113	109	83	93	13	9	|	97	99	73	.
St. Vincent and Grenadines	88	.	111	102	75	.	.	.	|	90	91	64	.
Suriname	88	85	120	119	74	80	.	.	|	94	94	68	.
Trinidad and Tobago	85	.	95	.	76	.	11	.	|	85	.	65	.
Caribbean													
Costa Rica	69	61	110	110	79	87	25	.	|	.	.	.	64
El Salvador	52	49	116	118	65	64	20	22	|	94	92	55	54
Guatemala	28	29	113	113	51	56	.	18	|	94	95	35	.
Honduras	34	36	113	117	76	61	.	.	|	92	96	.	.
Nicaragua	39	.	112	.	66	.	.	.	|	87	.	43	.
Panama	62	70	111	113	70	70	44	.	|	98	98	64	.
Central America													
Argentina	66	.	112	.	84	.	64	.	|	99	.	78	.
Bolivia	50	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	|	.	.	.	.
Brazil	69	.	137	.	105	.	25	.	|	94	.	79	.
Chile	55	.	104	.	91	.	48	.	|	.	.	.	.
Colombia	41	41	116	116	79	85	29	32	|	90	87	61	67
Ecuador	80	100	117	118	65	70	.	.	|	97	97	55	59
Paraguay	34	.	111	.	66	.	26	.	|	94	.	57	.
Peru	66	.	116	.	92	.	34	.	|	96	.	70	.
Uruguay	76	.	114	.	101	.	45	.	|	97	.	.	.
Venezuela	58	62	104	106	74	79	.	.		91	92	63	68
South America													
Mexico	96	.	112	.	85	.	25	.		98	.	69	.
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4.4 | Women and Education

	Females in Primary Education (% of total)					Females in Secondary Education (% of total)			
	Pupils 2006	Pupils 2007	Teachers 2005	Teachers 2006		Pupils 2006	Pupils 2007	Teachers 2005	Teachers 2006
Anguilla	.	.	89.4	93.3	|	.	.	62.2	69.1
Antigua and Barbuda	.	48.9	.	.	|	.	51.1	.	.
Aruba	48.8	48.6	80.8	81.6	|	50.4	50.9	51.8	54.4
Bahamas	49.1	49.1	88.1	80.9	|	49.8	50.4	72.6	58.6
Barbados	48.7	49.3	77.6	77.6	|	50.2	50.0	56.9	58.8
Belize	48.6	49.0	72.1	71.4	|	50.7	51.0	63.7	58.1
Bermuda	46.2	.	88.1	89.4	|	51.5	.	66.9	67.5
British Virgin Islands	.	.	88.1	88.1	|	.	.	67.5	67.5
Cayman Islands	48.0	48.2	88.5	88.1	|	49.0	49.5	52.4	58.2
Dominica	48.7	48.5	85.0	84.3	|	49.7	50.0	58.5	64.2
Dominican Republic	47.9	47.5	76.0	76.0	|	54.1	54.1	61.8	62.0
Grenada	.	49.5	76.5	.	|	.	49.0	59.1	.
Guyana	49.0	48.7	86.5	.	|	50.1	48.8	63.4	63.5
Jamaica	.	.	89.0	.	|	.	.	67.9	.
Montserrat	.	.	100	100	|	.	.	65.4	63.0
St. Kitts and Nevis	.	49.4	85.8	.	|	.	49.6	60.2	.
St. Lucia	47.8	48.6	85.9	86.0	|	53.9	52.5	63.4	63.7
St. Vincent and Grenadines	.	48.3	72.5	.	|	.	.	57.8	.
Suriname	48.3	47.9	92.0	90.9	|	56.3	56.6	62.3	59.2
Trinidad and Tobago	.	.	72.4	.	|	.	.	62.0	.
Turks and Caicos Islands	.	.	89.2	.	|	.	.	61.8	.
Caribbean									
Costa Rica	48.3	48.4	79.0	79.7	|	50.1	49.8	.	57.7
El Salvador	48.2	49.1	71.9	69.7	|	50.3	50.3	49.1	48.3
Guatemala	47.7	47.9	.	64.5	|	47.8	48.0	.	43.0
Honduras	49.0	49.0	.	.	|	.	54.9	.	.
Nicaragua	48.4	.	78.5	73.5	|	52.6	.	56.8	52.9
Panama	48.3	48.3	76.4	76.1	|	51.0	50.8	57.4	57.7
Central America									
Argentina	.	.	87.6	.	|	.	.	67.6	.
Bolivia	49.0	.	.	.	|	48.1	.	.	.
Brazil	.	.	87.8	.	|	.	.	81.1	.
Chile	48.0	.	78.1	78.1	|	49.6	.	62.6	62.6
Colombia	48.6	48.8	76.5	76.5	|	51.7	51.6	51.6	51.6
Ecuador	48.9	49.0	69.6	69.8	|	49.5	49.5	49.4	49.5
Peru	49.0	.	64.2	64.5	|	49.8	.	44.5	45.3
Uruguay	48.3	.	.	.	|	52.8	.	.	.
Venezuela	48.4	48.3	81.4	.		51.9	51.8	63.0	.
South America									
Mexico	48.7	.	66.4	66.5		51.3	.	46.6	46.9
LAC									

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Figures

Source World Bank, *World Development Indicators* (online version) as of May, 2009.

Definitions *Female Primary Completion Rate* is the total number of students successfully completing (or graduating from) the last year of primary school in a given year, divided by the total number of children of official graduation age in the population. *Female Secondary Net Enrollment Rate* is the ratio of the number of children of official school age (as defined by the national education system) who are enrolled in school to the population of the corresponding official school age; the ratio is expressed as a percentage.

Notes For each country, the percentage point change shown is the change in the indicator from 2000 to 2007 for that country. Changes for countries with an asterisk are based on 2006 data.

Table 4.1

Literacy

Sources UNESCO through the USAID *Global Education Database* (accessed online November, 2008) as of June, 2009.

Definitions *Adult literacy rate* is the percentage of people aged 15 and above who are literate. *Youth literacy rate* reflects the percent of people between the ages of 15 and 25 who are literate.

Notes The definition of literacy varies by country.

Table 4.2

Public Expenditure on Education

Source *Total Expenditures (% of GDP)*: UNESCO through the USAID *Global Education Database* (Online version) as of November, 2008. *Education Expenditure (% of Total Government Expenditure)*: UNESCO through the USAID *Global Education Database* (Online version) as of November, 2008. *Total Expenditure per Pupil (% of per capita GDP)*: UNESCO through the USAID *Global Education Database* (Online version) as of November, 2008.

Definitions *Education Expenditure* is defined as expenditure on the provision, management, inspection and support of pre-primary, primary and secondary schools; universities and colleges; vocational, technical and other training institutions; and general administration and subsidiary services.

Notes For each country in the graph, the percentage point change shown is the change in the indicator from 2001 to 2006 for that country. Changes for countries with an asterisk are based on 2005 data.

Table 4.3

Gross and Net Enrollment Ratios

Source World Bank, *World Development Indicators* (online version) as of May, 2009.

Definitions *Gross enrollment ratio* is the number of students enrolled in a level of education, whether or not they belong in the relevant age group for that level, as a percentage of the population in the relevant age group for that level. *Net enrollment* is the number of students enrolled in a level of education who belong in the relevant age group, as a percentage of the population in that age group.

Estimates are based on World Bank's classification of education levels, as follows. *Preprimary* provides education for children not old enough to enter school at the primary level. *Primary* provides the basic elements of education at elementary or primary schools. *Secondary* provides general or specialized instruction at middle, secondary, or high schools, teacher training schools, and vocational or technical schools. This level of education is based on at least four years of instruction at the primary level. *Tertiary* requires, as a minimum condition of admission, the successful completion of education at the secondary level or evidence of attainment of an equivalent level of knowledge and is provided at universities, teachers colleges, and higher-level professional schools.

Notes Net enrollment rates higher than 100% are due to inconsistencies between enrollment and population data.

Table 4.4

Women and Education

Source *Teachers (Primary and Secondary Education)*: UNESCO through the USAID *Global Education Database* (Online version) as of November, 2008. *Pupils (Primary and Secondary Education)*: World Bank, *World Development Indicators* (online version) as of May 2009.

Definitions *Primary* education provides the basic elements of education at elementary or primary schools. *Secondary general education* is defined as general instruction at middle, secondary, or high schools. This level of education is based on at least four years of instruction at the primary level. *Female teachers as a percentage of total teachers* includes full-time and part-time teachers. *Female pupils as a percentage of total school age population* includes enrollments in public and private schools but may exclude specialized schools and training programs.